



Par for the Course

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Club champion is repeat winner

With a gross score of 77, **Bill Miller** won the 2007 Greendale Club Championship.

Two years ago, Miller shot 74 in a three-way playoff to



Bill Miller, club champion

win the club title. He has won several times.

Thirty seven players participated in four divisions. Each winner got a reserved parking space for the coming season.

Craig Wise had the low net score of 73 in the men's division.

Winners in the other flights were:



Wayne Crawford

Seniors

Gross – **Wayne Crawford**, 88

Net – **Willie Winfree**, 71

Super Seniors

Gross – **Bill Robertson**, 87

Net – **Willis Reilly**

Ladies

Gross – **Terry Townshend**, 97

Net – **Jane Barnes**, 73

Wayne Crawford also was the 2007 winner of the Greendale Seniors Golf Club competition.

Golf at night is success

Twenty players turned out on a near balmy September evening for Greendale's first attempt at nighttime golf.

Glow-in-the-Dark Tournament covered nine shortened fairways leading to greens selected from the front and back nines.

John Smith and **Randy Brown** carded 33 to win first place. Runners-up were **Gerald** and **Carson Hunt** with 34.

Sarah Harmon, assistant Greendale manager, said she hoped the golf at night would become an annual event.

Rachael Malenich ran the event for Greendale.

Seniors winners given trophies

Wayne Crawford took first place in A Flight of the Greendale Seniors Golf Club 2007 season that ended Nov. 7 with the club's annual awards luncheon.

Runner-up in the top bracket was **Rick**

Townshend, who also was re-elected club president for a second term.

In Flight B, **Nick Heon** took first place; **Carl Eifert** was second.

Dick Denny was first in C Flight while **John Gibbens** finished next.

Prizes were awarded for the first time for the most improved golfers, based on USGA rules for players who posted at least 10 scores. Heon also won that award for A Flight; **J.J. Cunningham** in B Flight and **Fred Sachs** for C Flight.

Clyde Bingman was elected tournament director unanimously along with the re-election of the other officers. Bingman replaces **Bob Vickers**, who declined to seek another term in what

Maintain a handicap and enjoy golf more than ever.

Rick Townsend cited as the most important and taxing office of the club. **Tommy Satterfield**, vice president, and **Peter Bolton**, secretary-treasurer, were voted new terms.

"Good news, we broke even," Bolton announced in his treasurer's report. He noted the ending balance was a hundred dollars higher than last year's



Senior winners (l to r) included Cunningham, Gibbens, Denny, Crawford and Townshend.

\$550, thanks to two rain days. One hundred sixteen players were club members in 2007.

Townshend announced that dues -- \$40 for many years -- would remain unchanged for the 2008 season.

Greendale manager **Gary Temple** told the luncheon audience that the system of handing each group a blue card designed to keep up the pace of play had "worked well for the course and I hope they have for the league." He said that over the winter work would be done to improve air flow around the greens and to clear the grounds under the treed areas.

7 tournaments set for '08

As a way of encouraging Greendale's patrons to enjoy the camaraderie of golf, the management has scheduled seven tournaments for 2008.

Most the tournaments scheduled will require handicaps from the Virginia State Golf Association, the USGA or Greendale, in the case of the club championship. The purpose is to arrange equitable pairings, which are otherwise impossible, according to **Ralph Swartwood**, handicap committee chairman, who helped arrange the schedule with Assistant Manager **Sarah Harmon**. The only exceptions will be those involving seniors where divisions will be set by age groupings.

Tournaments covering two or three days will permit participants to choose the day and tee

time for their games, with winners posted at the end of competition. The tournament schedule: **Icebreaker** -- Saturday April 5; two-person teams, 12 years old and up; best ball format; 1st and 2nd awards, closest to the pin prize. One player needs established handicap.

Greendale Masters -- players choose to compete on April 25, 26 or 27. Prizes will be awarded for lowest gross and net scores.

Super Seniors -- Monday, May 12, for golfers 70-75 years old, 76-81, 81 and older, and for women 70 and older.

Fathers Day Scramble -- team chooses to play Saturday or Sunday (June 14 or 15); sons or daughters 8 years of age or older may play with father or grandfather; prizes for 1st and 2nd places.

Greendale British Open -- July 18, 19 or 20.

Glow-in-the-Dark Tournament -- Friday Sept. 19. two-person teams, no handicaps.

Greendale Club Championship -- Saturday, Oct. 4, Greendale handicap required.

Slowpokes, save it for later!

That headline is a paraphrase of one that appeared on a golf column by Else Bonstein in *The Brunswick Beacon* about speeding slow play.

The Georgian columnist noted that on the Old Course at St. Andrews the average round takes 3 hours and 22 minutes despite a requirement to walk and use a caddy. She also noted that a round played with her husband on a Florida course while sandwiched between foursomes took 3 hours and 50 minutes because of stringent rules that depended upon three warnings from the marshal about playing slowly; the last warning bringing a return to the clubhouse and a rain check for remaining holes. She remarked that patrons in the grill after their round "were smiling and joking" and not complaining of slow play.

Ms Bonstein gave some suggestions for speeding play without "strong arm tactics."

Summarized, her suggestions included:

Look ahead to see if a hole is open, if so, pick up the pace. Stand near the tee box; watch all shots to help find errant balls. Play ready golf. Check yardage while others play, then strike immediately when it is your turn. Take a selection of clubs with you when you leave your cart. Don't ball hawk when retrieving your ball from a hazard. Park you cart closest to your exit point from the green. Save your chit-chat for the clubhouse after your round

Speed play by leaving the green promptly after holing out.